

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FEBRUARY 27, 1865.

Read twice. referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. GARFIELD, on leave, introduced the following bill :

**A BILL**

To regulate the organization of volunteer engineer troops.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3       That the organization of a regiment of volunteer engineers  
4       shall hereafter be as follows :  
5       One colonel ; one lieutenant colonel ; three majors ; one  
6       adjutant (an extra lieutenant) ; one quartermaster (an extra  
7       lieutenant) ; one chaplain ; one surgeon ; two assistant sur-  
8       geons ; one sergeant major ; three quartermaster sergeants ;  
9       three commissary sergeants ; one hospital steward ; and twelve  
10      companies with the following organization for each, one hun-  
11      dred enlisted men being the minimum : one captain ; two first  
12      lieutenants ; one second lieutenant ; two musicians ; one first  
13      sergeant ; nine sergeants ; ten corporals ; sixty-four artificers ;  
14      sixty-four privates.

1       SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That on and after

2 the first day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, the  
 3 pay of non-commissioned officers and privates of engineers  
 4 in the regular and volunteer service shall be as follows :  
 5 Sergeant major, forty dollars per month ; quartermaster ser-  
 6 geant, thirty-eight dollars per month ; commissary sergeant,  
 7 thirty-eight dollars per month ; hospital steward, thirty-eight  
 8 dollars per month ; first sergeant, thirty-six dollars per  
 9 month ; sergeants, thirty-four dollars per month ; corporals,  
 10 twenty-eight dollars per month ; artificers, twenty dollars  
 11 per month ; musicians, sixteen dollars per month ; privates,  
 12 sixteen dollars per month.

1        SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the adjutant  
 2 and quartermaster of an engineer regiment shall receive the  
 3 same compensation as is allowed by law to the regimental  
 4 adjutants and quartermasters of cavalry.

1        SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary  
 2 of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to enlist and add to  
 3 the regiment of veteran volunteer engineers, raised in ac-  
 4 cordance with an act entitled "An act to organize a regiment  
 5 of veteran volunteer engineers," approved May twenty, eigh-  
 6 teen hundred and sixty-four, two additional companies of  
 7 engineers, which shall have the same organization, pay, and  
 8 emoluments as provided in this act ; and he may authorize  
 9 the transfer of enlisted men from one company to another of  
 10 said regiment.